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IRREGULARITIES IN SELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN BANKS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the irregularities have come to the notice of the Government in selection of Board of Directors of banks;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the members in the Board of Directors have provided wrong information regarding their educational qualifications;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance(SHRIPAWANKUMARBANSAL)

(a) & (b): No incidence of any irregularity in the selection of Board of Directors of banks have come to the notice of the Government.

(c), (d) and (e): While considering the nominations of persons for appointment as non-official directors on the Board of Punjab & Sind Bank, the bio-data available of one of the part-time non-official director showed his educational qualification as `graduate`. Subsequent to his nomination,at the time of joining the Bank`s board, in the form of fidelity and declaration, he mentioned himself to be a `matriculate`. Government after taking cognizance of this discrepancy, decided with the approval of competent authority, to continue his appointment by relaxing the eligibility conditions of educational qualification prescribed under the guidelines.